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SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY CONGRESS

1. THE COMMUNIST (AKEL) PARTY OF CYPRUS OPENED ITS
14TH PARTY CONGRESS IN NICOSIA MAY 25, ACCORDING
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TO PRESS RELEASES, CONGRESS IS ATTENDED BY MORE
THAN 100 REPRESENTATIVES FROM 33 COMMUNIST AND LABOR
PARTIES AND REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENTS ABROAD IN
ADDITION TO LOCAL PARTICIPANTS.

2. IN OPENING ADDRESS, PARTY SECRETARY GENERAL
EZEKIAS PAPAIOANNOU MADE FOLLOWING POINTS:

-- AKEL IS LARGEST PARTY IN CYPRUS, BOTH NUMERICALLY
AND IN ITS INFLUENCE ON THE PEOPLE.

-- ANTI-SOVIETISM IS TANTAMOUNT TO ANTI-COMMUNISM;
THE LINE FOLLOWED BY PEKING IS INCORRECT.

-- AKEL IS GUIDED BY THE GENUINE REVOLUTIONARY
PRINCIPLES OF MARXISM-LENINISM AND PROLETERIAN
INTERNATIONALISM.

-- THE PARTY IS NOT AIMING AT ASSUMPTION OF POWER
BY THE WORKING CLASS IN CYPRUS AT THIS STAGE; TO
DO SO WOULD PROVOKE OCCUPATION OF ALL OF CYPRUS
BY TURKEY AND THE IMPERIALISTS.

3. EARLIER, IN AN INTERVIEW WITH TASS BEFORE THE
CONVENING OF THE CONGRESS, PAPAIOANNOU EMPHASIZED
AKEL'S SOLIDARITY WITH USSR. HE SAID AKEL WOULD
ALWAYS BE A LOYAL FRIEND OF THE SOVIET UNION, AND
THAT IT REJECTED EURO-COMMUNISM SINCE IT BELIEVED
THERE WAS ONLY ONE COMMUNISM, FORMULATED BY MARX AND
ENGELS AND DEVELOPED BY LENIN.
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